

TRANSITION SWITCH MODULES

DESCRIPTION

The Transition Switch Module (TSM) will provide a flexible, unit-level switch capability that bridges legacy switches with current commercial technology. This will provide Marine maneuver elements with robust voice/data switching, data transport, and bandwidth management capabilities. The TSM consists of two functional suites of equipment mounted in transit cases — for switching, Deployable End Office Suite (DEOS) and for transmission, Deployable Integrated Transport Suite (DITS).

OPERATIONAL IMPACT

This program will maintain Marine Corps joint interoperability as the other services transition to commercial-off-the-shelf switching technologies. It also allows for a reduction in less effective legacy equipment and more flexible modernization options.

PROGRAM STATUS

The Marine Corps received proposals from prospective bidders in November 2003. The acquisition objective is for 476 TSM units.

PROCUREMENT PROFILE:

Quantity:

FY 04

55

FY 05

16

DEVELOPER/MANUFACTURER

Manufacturer will be selected during FY04.